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DETAILED ACTION

The reply brief filed October 2, 2007 has been entered and considered. The application has been forwarded to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences for decision on the appeal.


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